



**PATENT APPLICATION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Shuji HIRAKATA et al.

Group Art Unit: 1745

Application No.: 10/828,261

Examiner: E. WANG

Filed: April 21, 2004

Docket No.: 119506

For: FUEL CELL SYSTEM AND ASSOCIATED OPERATION METHOD

**AMENDMENT FILED WITH RCE**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the September 20, 2007 Office Action, the shortened statutory period for response being extended by the attached Petition for Extension of Time, and after entry of the attached Request for Continued Examination (RCE), please consider the following:

**Amendments to the Claims** as reflected in the listing of claims; and

**Remarks.**